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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating the Martinsville High School Academic Decathlon Team, Martinsville, Indiana, for capturing the state championship in the large school division of the Hoosier Academic Decathlon.

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating the Martinsville High School Academic Decathlon Team, Martinsville, Indiana, for capturing the state championship in the large school division of the Hoosier Academic Decathlon.

Whereas, The Martinsville High School Academic Decathlon Team captured the state championship in the large school division;

Whereas, This victory marks the sixth consecutive year that the Martinsville High School team has won the title and its third straight appearance at the national championships;

Whereas, This victory gave the Martinsville team the record for consecutive state championship wins among large schools;

Whereas, The Martinsville team members will represent their school at the national competition to be held in Erie, Pennsylvania, in April, 2003;

Whereas, Although the competition is divided according to the size of participating schools, only the highest scorer advances to the national contest;

Whereas, The Martinsville High School Academic Decathlon Team scored 42,263 points in the state competition, and the next closest competitor scored 39,886 points, making this the largest margin of victory for any Martinsville High School decathlon team;



Whereas, Martinsville High School's academic teams (the Spell Bowl, Academic Decathlon, and Super Bowl teams) have won four consecutive state titles, something Coach Wayne Babbitt likens to one school winning state titles in football, basketball, and baseball, and then winning the football title again the following year;

Whereas, The contestants in the Academic Decathlon are tested in seven categories - language/literature, music, science, art, mathematics, economics, and Superquiz;

Whereas, Coach Babbitt emphasizes that, even though individuals have accomplished great things, the championship was a total team effort and that this year's team is a "special group" of kids that all work extremely hard;

Whereas, Coach Babbitt also stressed that, in addition to the honor of winning, the value of the Academic Decathlon is that it prepares the participants for college and later life by emphasizing good study skills and learning new subjects;

Whereas, This state title is a continuation of the long line of successes achieved by the Martinsville High School academic teams since the 1990-1991 school year: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
the Senate concurring;*

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the
- 2 Martinsville High School Academic Decathlon Team for capturing the
- 3 state championship in the large school division of the Hoosier
- 4 Academic Decathlon state championship for the sixth consecutive year
- 5 and to wish them continued success in all their future endeavors.
- 6 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 7 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to team members
- 8 Kellie Packwood, Sadie Davis, Bryan Sims, Ross Hubbard, Scott
- 9 Salmon, Katie Babbitt, Samantha Decard, and Jeff Hamilton, coach
- 10 Wayne Babbitt, and the principal of Martinsville High School.

